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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Examiner Ali:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated September 9, 2004 (Paper No. 20040907), for which a response was due on December 9, 2004. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a 3 month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to March 9, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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